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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliance mailed December 18, 2003, and the Office Action mailed November 4, 2003, Applicant elects with traverse the Group II claims, 23 and 26. Applicant submits that the Group 1 claims 21, 22, 24, and 25 are sufficiently related to the Group II claims 23 and 26. Accordingly, examination of the Group I and Group II in the same application would not be an undue burden.